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SUBJECT: COURT RULES ON LAND EXPROPRIATION FOR PHILIPPI PROJECT

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1. BOTH THESSALONIKI MORNING PAPERS OF OCTOBER 4
REPORT ON DECISION PREVIOUS DAY BY KAVALA COURT OF
FIRST INSTANCE SETTING EXPROPRIATION PRICES FOR INITIAL
1,056 ACRES REQUIRED FOR SOVIET-CONSTRUCTED ENERGY PLANT AT
PHILIPPI. PRICES SET BY COURT WERE APPROX DOLLARS
3,000 PER ACRE FOR LAND WITH PEAT DEPOSITS AND DOLLARS
2500 FOR FRINGE AREAS. NOTE: FIGURES ARE
COMPROMISE BETWEEN FARMERS' DEMAND FOR DOLLARS 8,000 PER
ACRE AND ORIGINAL PUBLIC POWER CORPORATION (PPC) OFFER OF
DOLLARS 1,000 (REFTEL). REPORTS STATE THAT LANDOWNERS
STILL NOT SATISFIED WITH PROPOSED COMPENSATION AND
PLANNING TO APPEAL RULING TO THRACE APPEALS COURT
AT KOMOTINI. KAVALA COURT SCHEDULED TO MEET AGAIN
OCTOBER 16 TO FIX EXPROPRIATION PRICE FOR NEXT LOT OF
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1,150 ACRES.

2. EDITORIAL ON SAME ISSUE IN "ELLINIKOS VORRAS" BY
CHIEF EDITOR KYROU CLAIMS THAT ABOVE EXPROPRIATION PRICES
WILL INCREASE OVERALL PHILIPPI PROJECT COSTS TO DOLLARS
120 MILLION (ORIGINAL ESTIMATE: 89 MILLION).
KYROU CLAIMS THAT OIL-FUELED ENERGY PLANT WOULD
BE MORE ECONOMIC AND WOULD PRESERVE PHILIPPI AREA.
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